

### Theatre Offers Yule Gifts

If a house can be more than a home, a drive in theater can be more than a silver screen and a projector.

Dale Gasteiger, the friendly manager of the Radium Drive In Theater, Gardena has maintained this argument right along and has continually

proven his point. All you need, he says, to turn your auto into a living room, is a drivers license.

Besides playing Santa to his family (5 children and the Mrs.) come December 25 he's getting into the Christmas spirit early. Each evening the Radium will give away five suitable Christmas gifts. Everyone has a chance—even if you don't believe in Santa Claus.

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For refreshingly different suggestions on what to give (many of them available nowhere else), be sure to consult The Gift-Spotter in Torrance Press Classified. You'll like its handy arrangement, its variety of prices, its convenience. Turn to it for a lift with your gifts! See Page 37.



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### Beach Cities Symphony To Present Concert Friday

On Friday, December 7, the Beach Cities Symphony association will present a concert at the Torrance high school auditorium at 8:30 p.m. with Louis Palange conducting.

Mr. Palange, who is also a composer and instrumentalist, has assembled approximately 60 professional and skilled amateur musicians from the South Bay area will go to the City of Hope, Duarte, California. The varied program will feature guest soloist, Dale Reubart, performing Edward Grieg's "Piano Concerto in A Minor." Mr. Reubart, Torrance, is a native of Kansas where he has appeared with the Kansas City Philharmonic. He received his

Doctor of Music from the University of Southern California and is now on the music faculty of USC. His most recent public appearance was with the Beach Cities symphony in September and a recital in Hancock auditorium in November.

Other selections, carefully and appropriately selected, include "Victory at Sea" by Richard Rodgers, "Prelude and Love Death" from "Tristan and Isolde" by Richard Wagner, "The Nutcracker Suite," by Peter Tchalowsky, and Dimitri Kabelevsky's "Gallops" from "The Comedians."

Torrance residents who are members of the orchestra are: Norma Gass, assistant concertmaster; Jan Bittinger, violin; Mimmi Blakesley, violin; Marcel Demonest, violin; Jeanne Eversole, viola; Kenneth Hinckley, cello; Jeanne Jefferson, flute; Richard Petit, oboe; Rod Norris, clarinet and vice president of the Association; Robert Stone, french horn; Ken Bar-mone, trumpet; and Wayne Bittinger, tuba.

The Beach Cities symphony, which has been organized for six years, encourages any interested and capable instrumentalists to join the organization. Rehearsals are held regularly at the Mira Costa High school in Manhattan Beach.



GUEST PIANIST

Dale Reubart, Torrance, will perform Grieg's "Concerto in A Minor" Friday, December 7, when the Beach Cities Symphony association presents a benefit concert for the City of Hope at the Torrance high school auditorium.

### El Camino Will Present Yule Concert

Music students of El Camino College will present duplicate programs of the 10th Annual Christmas concert in the Campus Theater Sunday, December 9, at 3 p. m. and 8 p. m.

Combined choirs of 80 voices, composed of the A capella choir and the college community choirs will sing under the direction of Director R. Neill Hill in the first part of the program.

Celebrating the 200th anniversary of Mozart's birthday, the combined choirs will present his "Missa Brevis" in Latin.

The El Camino brass choir, will also perform during the afternoon and evening performances.

Songs and music for each month of the year will add a lighter touch to the second part of each of the two performances. This section of the program will be entitled "Father Time," telling the story of the calendar year in music.

Lucille Liberatore and Paul Rienke, music majors at El Camino, composed the theme, "Father Time," and some of the music that will be used in it.

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### Children Awarded Parts In Symphony Christmas Show

The South Bay Civic symphony announces the winners of the recent contest for the leading parts of "Hansel and Gretel" in the Christmas pantomime December 28 and 29 at Redondo high school auditorium.

For the part of Gretel the judges chose Julie Watson, 10 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Watson, 1047 W. 133rd st. Julie has studied singing and dancing, both ballet and tap for 6 years. Her presentation for the judges was a song and a dance.

The role of Hansel was unanimously awarded to Stephen R. Stackhouse 11 years old, who lives at 675 Calle Miramar in Hollywood Riviera. He has studied dancing and acrobatics for three years, he is also a drama student, a pianist and plays the cello. He has had leading parts in many plays. For the contest he presented a scene for the "Pied Piper of Hamelin," a recent Palos Verdes Junior players production.

Important parts in the Hansel and Gretel Christmas Pantomime were awarded to nine capable and talented children. They are Christine Weldon, Sandra Jean Wesser, Patty Nichols, Jo Ann Newville, Eileen Wible, Jean Strong, Debbie Harris, Susan Outcault and Linda Strong.

Sixty musicians from the Civic Symphony orchestra will play the music from Humperdinck's opera. The parts of Narrator, Father, Mother, Witch, Dew-fairy, Sandman, Brown-man, etc., will be taken by leading singers and actors of the community. Several hundred dancers are being trained by leading ballet schools for the production and the entire St. Cecilia choir of 40 members from St. Cross Sunday school will take part.

The Civic Symphony welcomes new players to its rehearsals Monday at 7:30 p.m. at the Redondo high school music hall.

### South Bay Music Group Meets Here

The Board of Sponsors of the South Bay Civic Symphony association met November 28 at the home of Mrs. Alfreda Mapes Headley, Redondo Beach.

Discussion centered around the Christmas program scheduled by the Civic Symphony this month. Much enthusiasm was shown by the board members over the plans outlined by Elyse Aahle. A large group of dancers, singers, and a Narrator will unfold the story of Hansel and Gretel in pantomime, with the orchestra playing music from the opera.

Mrs. Irene Roberts, a new member of the Board was introduced and appointed chairman of the membership committee. She reported plans to contact music lovers of the South Bay.

Other Board members present were Mrs. Lilas Stefan, chairman of the board, Mrs. Bertha Bond, Elyse Aahle, Miss Lorraine Hartshorn, Mrs. Viola Niland, Mrs. Dorothy Culton, Mabel Woodworth, Mrs. Maurine Culbertson, and Macdonald Scott. Mrs. Headley, served refreshments.

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### South Bay Bank Notes

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President

#### REAL ESTATE TAXES

If you are a property owner you have no doubt received your tax statement covering real estate taxes you will be required to pay in 1956. The due and delinquent dates should not be forgotten. The first installment is due November 1st and payment becomes delinquent December 10th. A 6% penalty applies to all delinquent tax. To some the tax paying period is a painful one since no provision has been made during the year for the tax to be paid and as a result sufficient funds are not on hand to meet the first installment. A program which has considerable merit is practiced by government agencies which guarantee that payment of mortgage loans on homes. Borrowers who avail themselves of this type of loan are required to pay one-twelfth of the estimated or established taxes to the lending institution holding the loan, and a reserve is accumulated for the purpose of meeting tax payments levied. Under this plan payment of taxes is no burden as the tax load is distributed over the year, and lump sum payments are eliminated. This same program can be followed by anyone owning real property and its adoption is highly recommended. A sound procedure in accomplishing this purpose is to start a savings account in our bank with one-twelfth of the amount you are required to pay and to continue monthly deposits thereafter. By so doing you will have no future concern regarding tax payments. Compare the plan with your income tax withholding and you have the answer. We will be glad to discuss detail relating to the savings-reserve method with you and we will also give consideration to applications for loans to cover the first installment or total of 1956 taxes to be paid. Our interest lies in serving your personal needs efficiently, courteously, and confidentially. There is plenty of parking space available at our location to permit you to bank leisurely. Our location is one block south of Marine Boulevard in the Manhattan Shopping Center.

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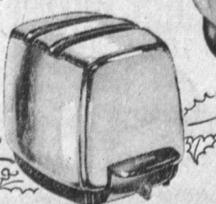
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## HOLIDAY CONCERT SLATED

The Torrance High School Department of music will present the Second Annual Christmas concert, December 14, in the high school auditorium at 8 p.m.

Over 200 choristers and instrumentalists are slated to perform in the ceremony, under the co-direction of Glenn Hawley and James Nichols. The girls glee club will sing a variety of memorable Christmas selections, as well as combined with the concert band and choir. The annual program is one of the popular events offered in the Torrance area during the Christmas season. The program will be open free to the public.

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